

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: Veronika babko 2.avi

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 1700120.045

Medium: Computer Moving Image File

Director: Not stated

Producer: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

Applicant: Wellington District Court

Classification: Objectionable.

Excisions: No excisions recommended

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 18 May 2017

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: No notice of decision has been issued

	Components	Running time
Timed component(s):	Veronika babko 2.avi	20:40
Total running time:		20:40

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer moving image file depicts a young naked girl engaging in sexual acts for the camera, and is a visual record of sexual exploitation. It promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes in terms of s3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 (FVPC Act), and is therefore deemed to be objectionable. While the classification interferes with the right to freedom of expression as per the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, it is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2)(a) of the FVPC Act are deemed objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that

reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.